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ABSTRACT

This book seeks to guide information providers in establishing accessible World Wide Web sites and acquiring the hardware and software needed by people with disabilities, focusing on access to the Internet using large print, voice, and Braille. The book also covers how to acquire the funds for adaptive technology, what type of equipment to choose, where to purchase the equipment, and how to inform the community of progress, as well as tips for ensuring that the equipment is placed in a nurturing environment. The following chapters are included: (1) Could Helen Keller Use Your Library? (2) Click (W)Here(?)!--Basic Document Design; (3) Large-Print Access to the Internet; (4) Hearing the Internet; (5) Touching the Internet with Braille; (6) Adaptive Technology for Hearing Impairments; (7) Surfing the Internet with a "Different" Board; (8) Computers Reading and Speaking--"Stand-Alone" Systems; (9) Funding Adaptive Technology; (10) Making It All Work--Staff Training; (11) Announcing Improved Access; and (12) Working in the Real World. Appendices provide information on: World Wide Web sites helpful for information on accessibility; selected vendors, manufacturers, and consultants; and special libraries with adaptive technology programs. Includes a glossary, bibliography, and index. (MES)

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